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TAGS: ASEC
SUBJECT: SUSPECT VISITOR AT USIS LIBRARY

1. ON AFTERNOON OF 10 MAY 77, A LONG-HAIRED ARAB WEARING A LONG-SLEEVED SPORT SHIRT WORN OUTSIDE TROUSERS, WHOM THE FSL GUARD IDENTIFIED AS NOT BEING EGYPTIAN, ATTEMPTED TO ENTER THE USIS LIBRARY FOR WHAT HE CLAIMED WERE RESEARCH PURPOSES. FSL WATCHMAN ROUTINELY BEGAN PHYSICAL INSPECTION OF VISITOR WITH RENS HANDHELD, METAL DETECTOR. DURING INSPECTION, GUARD DISCOVERED ONE SUSPECT ITEM ON VISITOR'S RIGHT HIP AND STATED HE FELT THE BUTT OF A WEAPON ON VISITOR'S LEFT HIP. AT THAT POINT, FSL WATCHMAN ASKED VISITOR FOR IDENTIFICATION. VISITOR PRESENTED A GREEN PASSPORT WHICH FSL WATCHMAN ASSUMED WAS LIBYAN PASSPORT (EGYPTIAN POLICE ADVISED LIBYAN PASSPORT HAS DARK BLUE COVER). BEFORE WATCHMAN COULD EXAMINE PASSPORT, VISITOR SNATCHED DOCUMENT AWAY FROM WATCHMAN AND RAN OFF THE COMPOUND. WATCHMAN DID NOT RPT NOT PURSUE AND DID NOT MAKE ANY EFFORT TO ALERT POLICEMEN IN VICINITY.

2. IN DEBRIEFING WITH GENERAL FOUAD FARID, MININT STATE SECURITY DEPARTMENT, RSO AND SENIOR FSL GUARD QUESTIONED FSL WATCHMAN CONCERNING THE ABOVE. POLICE BELIEVED WATCHMAN'S SUSPICIONS CONCERNING CONCEALED
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WEAPON INCORRECT BECAUSE OF CONFLICTING TESTIMONY AND MISIDENTIFICATION OF PASSPORT. HOWEVER, POLICE AGREED TO INCREASE SECURITY AROUND LIBRARY COMPOUND IMMEDIATELY. EMBASSY IS ALSO POSTING ONE ADDITIONAL FSL WATCHMAN ON COMPOUND DURING DUTY HOURS (PRESENT COVERAGE ONLY HAD ONE MAN DAILY).

3. ABOVE PASSED TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR INFORMATION
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INFORMATION DEVELOPED.
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